



The
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Southern Folger Company Newsletter

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**Looking Back
First Training Session
Happy New Year!
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New And Improved: Taking a look back at the Years Improvements

As the year comes to a close, we take a moment to reflect on everything Southern Folger has accomplished. We began the year with major renovations, including the new Training Center and improvements within the Engineering Department. These updates were only the beginning, as office renovations continued throughout the year. Beyond our workspaces, the Machine Shop also saw significant upgrades with the addition of new equipment and investments that support ongoing production across the campus.

We also strengthened our brand identity with new signage throughout the facility—on the main building, the Training Center, various departments, and even the Jail Shop. These updates help visitors easily navigate our campus while reinforcing the Southern Folger brand. Our presence expanded online as well with the launch of our new website, a modern platform designed to reach customers more effectively and showcase what Southern Folger stands for.

This year was filled with celebrations, too. We marked the grand opening of the Training Center with a vibrant fiesta-themed event, where President Don Halloran officially cut the ribbon. We also honored the careers of Reynaldo Rodriguez and Arthur Silvia as they each retired after many years of service.

In August, we turned the spotlight on our employees with Employee Appreciation Month. Team members enjoyed snacks, fruit cups, ice cream, and a catered lunch from Jersey Mike's as a small token of our gratitude.



We also made great use of our new spaces. The Training Center not only hosted celebrations but also held CPR training and welcomed our first official training session this past November (more on page 2). Engineering saw its own improvements with the addition of new 3D printers that have helped streamline production.

Southern Folger continues to work diligently to lead through innovation, and the investments made this year reflect that commitment. From celebrating our employees to meeting shipping goals, our team has worked hard to make Southern Folger a productive and inspiring place to work.

As we look ahead to the coming year, we hope to continue this momentum with even more growth, innovation, and success. Happy holidays and Happy New Year from everyone at Southern Folger.



A Safety Tip

Stay Alive !
Don't Drink and Drive.
Call A Designated Driver.

From John Legros Director of Safety

Happy New Year

As the years change and the calendars turn, take a moment to remember and be thankful for the year being left behind. Remember all the hard work and dedication put into Southern Folger every day and get excited for the new opportunities of the next year. Have a happy 2025 holiday season and a happy New Year!

First Training

This past November, Southern Folger was proud to host its first official training session in the newly renovated Training Center. From November 18th to the 19th, representatives from CML joined us on campus for a comprehensive two-day program designed to deepen their understanding of our project processes, company history, and broad range of products. The training marked an exciting milestone for Southern Folger, as it showcased both the upgraded facility and our commitment to continued education within the industry.

The session began with a guided tour of the campus, giving participants an up-close look at our manufacturing operations. Many attendees expressed appreciation for the opportunity to see firsthand how precision, craftsmanship, and safety come together in every stage of production. After the tour, the group transitioned into classroom-style learning, where they explored how Southern Folger approaches projects—from initial concept and engineering to installation and long-term support.

Over the course of the two days, the participants received detailed product training covering everything from mechanical and electromechanical locks to sliders and control components.

Instructors highlighted key features, application considerations, and maintenance recommendations, allowing attendees to gain a better understanding of how each product fits into secure facility environments. The new Training Center offered an ideal setting for demonstrations and hands-on engagement.

Throughout the training, participants expressed that the combination of facility exposure, technical instruction, and real-world examples helped strengthen their confidence in working with Southern Folger products and systems.

Overall, the training was a successful kickoff for the renovated space and a promising sign of the many educational opportunities Southern Folger plans to offer in the future.



Meet the New Faces of Southern Folger



Anthony Gomez
Machining
Machinist Helper



Christina Camarillo
Lock Assembly
Lock Assembler



Sean Galindo
Welding
Welder



Cecil Garcia Jr.
Lock Assembly
Lock Assembler

A Word From our President

As we close out the third quarter, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for the dedication, teamwork, and focus you've shown. Together, we've navigated challenges, delivered for our customers, and achieved strong results that reflect the strength of our people and the pride we take in our work.

Now, as we move into the fourth quarter, it's important that we carry this same energy and commitment forward. The goals we've set are within reach, and by staying focused we can position ourselves to not only finish the year strong but also reach Level 2 of our incentive program in December.

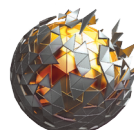
Achieving that milestone means more than just numbers on a page—it represents shared success and allows us to take well-earned time off to enjoy the holidays with our families. That balance of hard work and time to recharge is what helps us continue to grow together year after year.

Let's stay focused, push forward, and finish the year the way we know we can—together, as one team.

Don Halloran - President, Southern Folger Detention Equipment Company



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